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- Second—We manufacture all of our diamond brooches, rings, etc. right here in our own factory.
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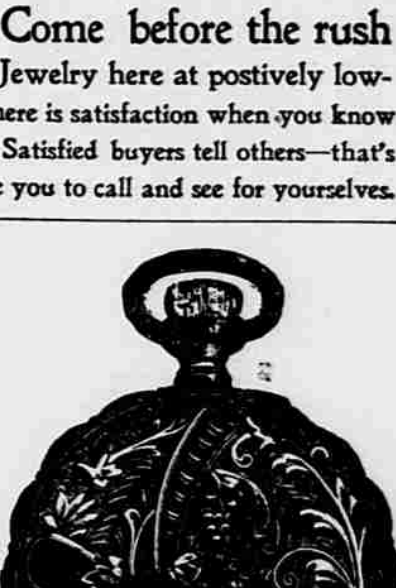


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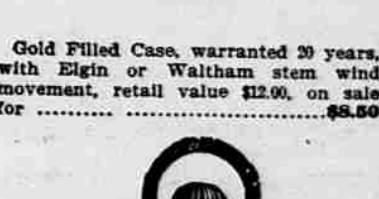
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10 PER CENT RAISE

TAX ASSESSMENTS MYSTIFYING PROPERTY OWNERS.

STATE BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE

TAXABLE VALUATION OF CITY PROPERTY INCREASED \$6,000,000.

Taxpayers Cannot Understand It, and They Make the Life of the Country Collector Miserable Explaining How It All Came About.

A lawyer in the New York Life building who represents several large property owners was considerably agitated yesterday to find that his clients' taxes had been very noticeably increased since last year.

"There must be something wrong," he said, "Somebody's been tampering with the tax lists. Here's Mrs. Blank's taxes \$1.14, and last year they were \$1.00. How do you account for that? The assessor is revising and reassessing property. I know, but the alterations he makes now do not take effect until next year."

To settle the matter he put on his coat and went to the county collector's office, where it was explained to him that all Kansas City assessments were raised 10 per cent in April by order of the state board of equalization.

"You see," said the collector, "the state board, which is composed of the governor, the state treasurer and the secretary of state, concluded that Kansas City real estate was not bearing its just portion of the taxes of the state and accordingly ordered the 10 per cent raise."

The raise has caused a continual protest and outcry at the collector's office for several weeks. Every person that pays his taxes "roars" about the amount, and every time it is necessary for the collector or his deputy to explain why it is.

"I never knew of a time when there was so much complaint and kicking as there is now," said Chief Deputy McCurdy, "it is all on account of the 10 per cent raise, which few people seem to understand."

The raise of 10 per cent means an addition of nearly \$6,000,000 to the assessable value of Kansas City real estate. The total valuation of real estate for 1898 was \$59,335,671, and this is increased by one-tenth.

The total net collections of taxes last

year amounted to \$1,236,642.77. This sum was distributed in the following manner:

For city purposes\$2,083.20
For state purposes238,279.25
For school purposes25,118.46
For county and township interest71,634.22
For road purposes4,582.18
For special road purposes139,449.05
For county clerk's fees4,605.17
For county revenue206,487.84

Out of this the pay rolls and expense bills of the various county offices were as follows:

County court, \$106,073.51; circuit court, \$60,712.51; circuit clerk, \$4,980.49; sheriff's office, \$1,091.40; criminal court, \$16,725; criminal clerk, \$1,333; prosecuting attorney, \$19,018.50; marshal's office, \$36,611.13; collector's office, \$42,275; treasurer's office (this office gave an excess of \$67 to the county); recorder of deeds (excess of \$1,083); surveyor's office, \$17,354.15; county clerk (excess of \$4,044); assessor's office, \$14,404.52; coronator's office, \$6,601.79; probate court, \$1,237.70; superintendent of schools, \$1,236.32; election commissioners, \$36,800.98; poor farm, \$16,800.10; justice of the peace, \$32,065.81.

It had cost the county \$1,496.15 just to maintain the court house and jail buildings last year.

The pay roll of the county clerk is \$30,537.07 annually. His fees for the last year amounted to that much and \$4,000 more.

The sheriff's office earned \$25,083 in fees and its expenses were \$2,160.

The circuit clerk earned \$22,270 in fees and his expenses were \$7,250.

Notwithstanding this tremendous tax income the county's reckless mismanagement has bankrupted the treasury and its preparations are being made to levy still heavier burdens upon the tax-paying public. The county assessor and his deputies are now at work reassessing and raising the tax valuations of the city. These raised lists will be completed in January and will go into effect next year. If people complain of the burden of it is difficult to tell what they will do then.

Honest Words

From California

ABOUT

Grape-Nuts.

"It seems to me I would have starved but for Grape-Nuts. I have had stomach trouble for a long time, and the last few months been obliged to diet so carefully that I could use none of the starchy food like bread, potatoes, beans, etc., but Grape-Nuts and Postum Cereal Coffee have helped me out."

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Request of the Rescued.

From Tit-Bits.

A man who had been on a shipwrecked vessel was rescued almost dead. On arriving at a place from which he could send a telegraphic message, he forwarded the following dispatch to his brother: "I am saved. Try to break it gently to my wife."

What Forgetfulness Costs.

From the Teachers' Statesman.

"You're up unusually early this morning, Mr. Blobs," said the boarding house keeper.

"No, confound it! I forgot to wind up that old alarm clock, and I had to get up to see what time it was."

Visionary.

From the Detroit Journal.

"Why, in my opinion, there is no limit to the possibilities of prenatal education!"

"Indeed?"

"No, sir! Why, I shouldn't be surprised if in the course of time babies were to be born capable of being amused by being born something sane!"

WORDS OF PRAISE.

The Curing Power, Known as Wellmerism, Causes Interesting Resolutions to Be Passed by the Commercial Club.

Prof. S. A. Wellmer, of Nevada, Mo., who has discovered a new science called Wellmerism, which it is claimed cures all diseases without the aid of drugs or the surgeon's knife, and does this curing at a distance just as readily as it does those cases brought to Nevada, has recently been the cause of the Commercial Club, of Nevada, Mo., passing the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That we point with special pride to the great and humane work being performed in this city by Prof. Wellmer in the cause of humanity, the discovery of a new science, and the founding of a great school and sanitarium or magnetic healing; the beneficial results of which are attested by hundreds of men and women from every state in the Union, with whom we have come in personal contact, the integrity of whom cannot be successfully assailed."

"Resolved, That in the person of Prof. Wellmer the people of this city owe a lasting debt of gratitude, not only for his wonderful success in healing the sick and distressed, but for his generous and open-handed charity."

"Resolved, That we have ever found in him the highest type of a citizen, broad and progressive, liberal in his views, a good and kind neighbor, a man of peace, and a world of charity toward all mankind, and in our estimation, one of the bright and gifted men of the century."

"Resolved, That this great magnetic school and sanitarium is a credit to any city, and a high moral plan upon which it is conducted is worthy of all praise. We know personally all the officers, the professors and attendants, both men and women, and they stand well in this community. We can vouch for their high moral character, and their faith in the avocation in which they are engaged. And as such we the members of this club and citizens of Nevada, unqualifiedly endorse this institution, not only to the people of our city, but to the world."

The Commercial Club is composed of the leading business and professional men living in Nevada, Mo.

Mary's Coppers.

From Scripps.

The mistress wanted change to pay the dressmaker for her day's work, and failing to find it, called down to Mary, the cook, asking her whether she had any coppers down there.

"Yes, mem," said Mary, "two; but they're both my cousins."

Realism Down to the Ground.

From the Philadelphia Record.

"She goes in for realism, doesn't she?"

"Yes, indeed! Even the clocks on her stockings are striking."

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WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Ingenious Device by Which It Is Believed Many Shipwrecks Can Be Avoided.

From the New York Herald.

Wireless telegraphy is to be used in a novel and practical manner at Halifax. The harbor there is often difficult of access, especially during storms, and as a result many vessels have been wrecked while approaching it. Mr. A. F. Hamilton has now invented an apparatus with the object of facilitating the approach to the harbor and of thus minimizing the danger of shipwrecks.

This apparatus consists of what may be called an electrical buoy on which is a ball connected with the land by means of a submarine cable. In addition to the ball the buoy is intended to hold a Marconi transmitter from which signals may be sent from land to a distance of four or five miles. Now the inventor asserts that only by day heed to the signals transmitted in this manner all vessels provided with receivers suitable for wireless telegraphy cannot be so readily wrecked as they are when they approach the coast, but can ascertain their exact situation if they will only pay heed to the signals transmitted.

The inventor's intention apparently is to have a buoy placed in each spot where there is the most likelihood of peril and to have signals sent by the Marconi system worked during the intervals of each race has satisfied Mr. Hamilton that it may be relied upon to do good service in connection with his buoys.

WAGON AND TEAM.

A Countryman Who Hitched His Horses to a Car Found Both Missing.

From the Los Angeles Herald.

A grape man named Antoine Vidal, at Los Angeles, recently had an experience he will not soon forget. He was loading grapes into his wagon from a car and before he was inside a switch engine came down the track, coupled to the front and started off with the car, man and horses. The man commenced to shout, the cook, asking her to keep up with the car and the wagon went merrily bumping over the ties. The cries of the man finally reached the ears of the engineer and he stopped, only to find that if he had kept on, another fifty yards he would have pulled the heads off the horses. The teamster had a fit right there when he saw how close he had come to killing his horses. However, there was no harm done beyond a few broken harness straps and the wounded feelings of the driver, who had to stand a storm of objections from the engineers.

Midirected Advice.

From the New York Advertiser.

Missionary (outside of saloon)—"Don't you know, my misguided friend, that by going into that place you are depriving your wife and children of the comforts of a home?"

The man—"G'wan. Chase yourself. I own it!"

Second Week of Our REMOVAL SALE!

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